

(Washington, D.C.) - Congressman Ciro D. Rodriguez (TX-23) announced today a \$2,594,480.00 Federal grant to fund VIA Metropolitan Transit in San Antonio, TX. The funds were granted by the U.S. Department of Transportation and will be used to support acquisition of rolling stock, bus facility construction as well as Bus Rapid Transit funding.

"Upgrading and expanding mass transit services for San Antonio provides many benefits, including congestion relief and reduced air pollution," said Congressman Ciro D. Rodriguez. "This \$2.5 million investment in transportation infrastructure will go a long way toward achieving this in San Antonio."

Earlier this year, Congressman Rodriguez announced the passage of an additional \$6.5 million for VIA Metropolitan Transit in the FY 2008 House Transportation Appropriations Bill. These additional funds await passage by the Senate and signature of the President.

For more information or assistance with Federal grants, please contact Congressman Rodriguez's Congressional Office at 1-866-915-3493.

Congressman Rodriguez is a Member of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation.

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